Resolution to approve contracts with American Tower Corporation to lease antenna tower sites for the County's 800 MHz Communications System (\$65,740.00)

(Homeland Security and Justice Programs)

WHEREAS, the Franklin County Office of Homeland Security & Justice Programs, Regional Communications Section, is currently in the process of installing a new Project 25-compliant communications system for use by first responders throughout Franklin County, replacing an outdated and obsolete communications system; and

WHEREAS, American Tower Corporation owns antenna tower sites in Groveport ("Bixby") and West Jefferson ("Darby") which are ideally located for the purposes of the County's new radio system; and

WHEREAS, these tower sites will enhance communications coverage for Franklin County first responders; and

WHEREAS, Franklin County can lease these sites for a period of ten years with an option for four additional five-year renewal periods, at a cost less than that to acquire property and construct County-owned towers.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO:

The contracts with American Tower Corporation for the use of their tower sites by the Franklin County Office of Homeland Security & Justice Programs, Regional Communications Section, are hereby approved.

AGENCY	CONTRACT AMOUNTS
American Tower-Groveport (Bixby)	\$ 32,870.00
American Tower-West Jefferson (Darby)	\$ 32,870.00
Total	\$ 65,740.00

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